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Hongkong, December 6, 1905. 2259

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December 8, 1905. 325

THE CASUALTIES OF THE WAR.

Japanese War Office Returns.

The Japan Chronicle in a recent issue publishes some interesting figures in connection with the war. Our contemporary writes: With the passage of time many wounds are healed and misconceptions corrected. There has been a good deal of misconception with regard to the losses of both sides during the late war, overestimate in one direction and underestimate in another, and it is now possible to obtain complete and accurate figures from both the Japanese and Russian authorities they would probably contain many surprises. The War Office publishes some figures regarding Japanese losses which are regarded as approximately correct. The statistics are as follows:—

Killed on the field ... 43,219
Wounded on the field ... 163,673
Missing ... 5,761
Injured by accident ... 16,466

Killed and invalided by sickness ... 221,136
218,423
310,665

The most remarkable thing about these figures, which has excited remark both at home and abroad, is the comparatively small number of sick compared with the casualties in battle. The number of killed in action will also appear to those who have followed the war closely to be remarkably small, especially when the slaughter of Port Arthur is considered, and the scores of thousands who were reported to have found a grave there. Of the 'missing,' the prisoners in Russia are probably included, so that another four thousand must be added to the dead. The number injured by accident is large, and we are informed that it includes those bitten by horses, run over by cars, injured by badly-fitting boots, and falling down cliffs. Of the total of sick 163,673 were attacked by infectious disease. No less than 281,587 invalided men, wounded and sick, were brought to Japan, and those remaining from the combined total of those wounded, and injured, 301,268, either returned to service or 'turned into bone,' to quote the gruesome expression of the War Office. The total number of men perished at the front was about 60,000.

Out of the invalided men placed in hospital in Japan 137,510 recovered and were discharged from hospital up to the end of August, and 3,601 died in hospital.

Piracy at Swatow.

Several daring cases of piracy have occurred on the coast near Swatow within a short time, writes a correspondent to the N. C. Daily News. One man in particular, by name A. Ohung, has three large boats to his credit, and a number of murders. A fortnight ago another boat with general cargo was captured close to Breaker Point, after a fight in which two of the crew were killed, and a third fatally wounded. It is high time that a guardboat were sent to patrol the coast between here and Hongkong. The yearly crop of pirates, in which merchants from Canton and Hongkong are stripped of all their savings, reaches a figure that would well justify a vigorous interference. On shore the military commissioners Wu and Sun are at work, but with no very permanent result. As soon as their hands are lifted from a district, highway and river robbers crop up as vigorously as before their coming. Even Kiyang-San's head-quarters, one might say, is the scene of many robberies committed upon the boats which go from it up the several branches of its large river.

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BY TELEGRAPH.

THE SHANGHAI TROUBLE.

CHINESE EXCITED.

Demanding Municipal Representation.

(From Our Correspondent.)

SHANGHAI, December 12. The Chinese are still excited concerning the difference between the Chinese Magistrate of the Mixed Court and the foreign authorities.

The Consular body held a meeting today to discuss the situation.

The police have since the conflict at the Court, been confined to barracks to avoid further trouble.

H.M.S. "Astraea" arrived in the river yesterday afternoon to relieve the "Bonaventure," but the latter has been ordered to remain in port pending the settlement of the present trouble.

The Tao-tai now demands Chinese representation on the Municipal Council.

STRANGE RUMOURS AMONG THE CANTONESE.

It is reported in the native press, that rumours are afloat among the Cantonese which are very disgusting, and which will lead, unless checked, to foment agitation, which has sometimes in the past led to explosions of angry feeling. These rumours seem absurd, and one cannot help feeling that there is some malice behind the phenomena. For some time past there have been rumours that chickens have been clipped of their wing feathers during the night, and as no one can find any clue to the authors these deeds have been ascribed to the fingers of demons, and some apprehension had been felt by those concerned. Now there are other rumours afloat telling of the mutilation of children, both boys and girls. Further there comes a report of a man who had more than a hundred dollars locked securely in a trunk. When he went to draw some out for use, he found that though the box was securely locked, the money was all gone and in its place there was a paper image, on which was sketched a charm, and further this inscription "obeying orders I have taken away the precious treasure."

What all this means, if there reports have any solid foundation, is clear enough to those who have lived in China, and have an experience of these things. They are clever schemes, planned by some vindictive minds, and carried out by skilful fingers, in order to rouse the superstitions and the fears of the common people. The editor points out that such rumours were current during the reigns of Han Fung and To Kwong, when a sect called the "Sect of the Iron Abacus" created much disorder, and roused consternation in the minds of the ignorant by means of sorcery and witchcraft. Probably this is not a matter of much importance, but rumours like these in the past, especially those referring to the mutilation of children, have roused the people to great anger, and so the level-headed have petitioned the officials to search out the matter and to take steps to stamp out these rumours—not a very easy task.

Theft from the Docks.

Before Mr. C. D. Melbourne, at the Magistrate's Court, a Chinese painter named Lo Chung was charged with having stolen by means of false pretences two or three red lead, five gallons of paint oil and two dozen paint brushes the property of the Hongkong and Kowloon Dock Company. Mr. J. Harston appeared to prosecute and called evidence to the effect that the defendant was employed as a foreman by a contractor named Tang Kwai who had been a permanent contractor to the Dock Company for the last 40 years. The defendant had been in his employ for about seven months and the custom had formerly been for him to obtain from the Dock Company's stores any goods or materials that he required for the work in hand. Some time before the date of the offence, however, this power was cancelled, and the defendant knowing that he had no right to do so went to the Dock Company's store-keeper and obtained the goods mentioned in the charge. The paint brushes he sold to a dealer at Hongkong for \$10, but finding that some trouble was being made about them, bought them back again. The defendant was sentenced to six weeks imprisonment with six hours in the stocks.

You Take Desperate Chances When You Neglect a Cold.

It should be borne in mind that every cold weakens the lungs, lowers the vitality and makes the system less able to withstand such succeeding cold, thereby paving the way for more serious diseases. Can you afford to take such desperate chances when Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, the only safe cure of colds, can be had for a trifle? Sold by all Dealers. WATKINS & Co., Ltd., General Agents.

A FATAL ACCIDENT.

Explosion On The "Wongkoi."

As the German steamer "Wongkoi" was leaving the harbour yesterday through Sulphur Channel for Bangkok an explosion took place on board. The packing of the flange connecting the two main boilers blew out, and the result was a great rush of escaping steam. The second and third engines were working in the vicinity and were both very badly scalded as also was a Chinaman who was assisting them. The steam continued to escape for some time and caused a great deal of inconvenience and the vessel was put about and returned to the harbour. Meanwhile the injured men were attended to by the ship's doctor and were found to be very badly scalded, and despite medical attention the second engineer, Gerhardt Christensen, a German, aged 25, succumbed to his injuries at six o'clock yesterday afternoon. The third engineer was removed to the hospital where he still remains in a serious condition. Repairs to the steam pipes were completed this morning when the steamer resumed her journey.

THE VOLUNTEER RESERVE ASSOCIATION.

A large number of Members attended the shooting on the 9th and 10th inst. at King's Park. The Range was 200 yards with a possible 10. The principal scores were as follows:

Aggregate	Aggregate
W. T. Hoakin 69	C. B. Buyers 57
T. P. Oochare 68	C. J. Allen 57
E. A. Howett 68	G. Richardson 57
G. E. Thomas 67	J. O. Peter 56
J. O. Gow 66	J. A. Lyon 56
A. H. Fyke 65	R. K. Dealy 55
J. S. Lowington 65	F. Elmer 55
P. L. Michael 65	A. Mair 55
G. K. Haxton 64	A. Bobley 55
E. V. Terry 64	H. J. Gedgo 54
E. Rogers 64	J. McCubbin 54
J. E. Bingham 64	S. H. Michael 54
H. E. Fieldsmith 64	W. H. T. Davis 53
J. S. Edgemoor 63	W. W. Dixon 53
P. L. Miller 63	T. A.ley 53
L. Gibbs 63	H. Pinckney 53
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A. Jenkins 59	W. J. S. Under 51
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W. D. Goddard 59	
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The Pool on the 9th inst was won by W. T. Hoakin with a total of 69, and on the 10th inst. G. E. Haxton secured it with a total of 64. The Membership roll has now reached a total of 200.

A CLAIM FOR RENT.

In the Summary Division of the Supreme Court this morning, before His Honour Mr. A. G. Wise, the Robinson Piano Company proceeded against Mr. H. Price (formerly trading as H. Price and Company) to recover the sum of \$375. The claim was set out as being for one month's rent, from half of the ground floor of Connaught House, let by the plaintiff to the defendant. Mr. M. W. Slade (instructed by Mr. E. J. Grist) appeared for the plaintiff and Mr. H. E. Pollock, K. C. (instructed by Mr. M. J. D. Stephens) appeared for the defendant.

Mr. Slade said that the claim was rent of a portion of the premises formerly occupied by the Robinson Piano Co. and turned over by the defendant to the plaintiff. Mr. Price first offered to lease the premises and then a dispute arose of the terms of the lease and some alterations that were to be made. Mr. W. J. Robinson, managing director of the Robinson Piano Company, said that he formerly rented the premises in question from Mr. Fung Wa Chun. He subsequently obtained permission to transfer the lease to Messrs Price and Company. He paid \$750 per month for the premises and had agreed to let Price and Company half of the space for \$375.

Mr. Pollock submitted that a cash had not been made out by the plaintiff. The tenor his client arranged for was for the whole premises for \$750 per month, not the half spoken of by the plaintiff. The lease commenced from November 1, at a rent of \$9000 per annum. The plaintiff was regarding the date of the commencement of the lease. They were to have taken the whole premises from November 1 and no other time.

LOCATING SUNKEN MINES.

The Vladivostok Quota.

The following announcement has been issued by the Naval Staff of the Japanese Imperial Military Headquarters:

In reply to the inquiry of General N. I. Lortchik, Commander-in-Chief of the Russian Army in the Far East, as to the position and number of the submarines laid down in the direction of Vladivostok by our Navy during the war, our naval authorities sent the following communication through Marcus Oyama, Commander-in-Chief of our Manchu Army:

We beg herewith to communicate to your Excellency the position and number of mines laid down by our Navy and the date of their mooring and request that your Excellency will promptly inform us of the position and number of the mines, if any, placed by the Russian Navy along the coast of Corea, Saghalien and other places, and the date they were moored. Our mines are as follows:

1. Twelve mines in the sea extended from east to south of Shikotan Island, and a distance of 1 to 12 nautical miles from the island.
2. Thirty-three mines between a point 8 nautical miles south of Shikotan Island and a point 12 nautical miles to the west.
3. Twenty-four mines between a point 6 nautical miles south of Taketoko Island and a point 12 nautical miles to the east.
4. The above mines were laid down on the 28th and 29th April, 1904.
5. 715 mines laid down on April 10th, 1905, on the line connecting the northern extremity of Korea with Sakhalin Island.

TUNG WEN COLLEGE, AMOY.

Examiner's Report.

The report of the examination committee for recently visited the Tung Wen Institution at Amoy shows that excellent work is being carried on there under Mr. Chas. J. Wood (Superintendent) assisted by Messrs Oscar Donnell, A. B., and J. O. Rathbun, A. M. The examiners were Messrs Robert H. Bruce, T. Moorhead and D. MacCallum, who state in their report that they have great pleasure in recording their appreciation of the excellent work the institution is performing. The papers examined showed great care in compilation and the high marks awarded the pupils spoke well for the close attention given by them to the instruction received.

The total number of pupils enrolled for the year beginning 2nd March 1905 was 218, of which 57 were dropped. Of those who left the school, 11 entered business, four graduated, three left to study Chinese, one left owing to ill health, and one died. On the day of inspection there were 248 pupils present, the total number being 261, so that there were only 13 boys absent, mostly owing to sickness.

BAZAAR AT THE FRENCH CONVENT.

The annual bazaar in aid of the funds of the French Convent, Praya East, was opened at the Convent yesterday afternoon, when a large number of ladies were present and made many purchases from the numerous dainty things that were on offer. In previous years the bazaar has been held at the City Hall but this time it was found more convenient to hold it in the Convent and it is intended to keep it open for a week instead of one day as formerly. Ladies will therefore have ample opportunity of making purchases, but at the same time they are advised to go early as much of the work is of exceptional value and is certain to soon attract the attention of buyers. The class of work turned out by the well known ladies who annually purchase largely of it. Suffice it to say that it is, in usual, of the highest quality, representing a large outlay of time and patience. The lacework is especially attractive, including some real point lace collarettes which are a triumph of skill. Other lace there are in great variety, ladies' and children's underclothing, gentlemen's handkerchiefs, pin cushions, large hand-made cushions, table centres and other articles too numerous to enumerate. Added to this there is a fine collection of French dolls which will make handsome presents for Santa Claus to leave on Christmas Eve. His Excellency the Governor signified his intention of visiting the bazaar at about four o'clock this afternoon.

NOTES FROM YUNGCHOW, HUNAN.

(From Our Correspondent.)

November 21. The garden city of China is now reappearing in a sheen of autumn colouring, and it is a hard matter to decide which is the finest spectacle, the spring or autumn tinging. The weather is perfect, the first cold spell having passed. The autumn has been noteworthy for quite an unusual amount of rain, the rains during the middle of October causing quite a flood. The water rose to within a few feet of the highest mark for the year, and at Hongchow it found its way in to the lower streets of the city.

NEWS OF THE MASSACRE.

Yesterday we heard definite news about trouble at Lienohsu, in Kwangtung, where the Presbyterians have an extensive work. Coolies carrying goods from here had come back, having been afraid to go on. It is eight days by road over the mountains to the South. I also hear from Kueilin that the missionaries of the Alliance Mission at both Kueilin and Pinglo had been recalled by the American Consul, but that those of the Church Missionary Society had been allowed to proceed to Kueilin by permission of the British Consul, who seemed to think that the trouble, whatever it was, was purely local, and not likely to affect Kwangsi. Certainly here in Hunan there has been nothing to suggest any trouble.

TRAINING TROOPS.

During the last year or so this city has become very much of a camp and training ground for troops, though of late there have been fewer in residence. Still it is hard to get away from the continual blowing of bugles. It begins with dawn and ends with the "Last Post" at about nine p.m. Last night, however, at 2 a.m., a regiment was in the move, for to the lively strains of the band a body of troops passed along. These troops are being well drilled, and physical culture is being attended to. Quite a number of horizontal bars, etc., have been erected, even in the yamens, and soldiers, students and others are to be seen continually practicing.

DISAPPEARED STUDENTS.

The examinations are now all over. It is reported that a large number of degrees were sold than usual, being presumably the last chance under the existing regime. This caused such discontent in some sections of the crowd of students, that the Prefect had himself to pay off a large number, giving them their journey money to have them hurried through, and there seems to be some ground for dissatisfaction.

FOREIGNERS IN HUNAN.

The missionaries of the Wesleyan and Church Missionary Societies have now returned. There were no other foreigners in the region.

RAILWAYING.

A Chinese engineer has lately been through between here and Kueilin making, so it is said, the preliminary survey for a railway. He is the son of a foreign official, and both are known by your correspondent. Unfortunately I missed him by one day.

EDUCATION IN CHINA.

Attitude of the Throne.

The following Imperial Edict has been issued:

We have received the joint report of the Ministers of the Department of State Affairs (Ching-shu-shu), and of the Department of Educational Affairs (Hao-pu-tai-tai), in regard to the memorial of Pao Hsi and others. In a former decree we ordered the abolition of the biennial examinations (for the master of arts degree), in view of which measures must be taken without delay for the encouragement of education everywhere, in order that men of talents may be nourished and given every opportunity to perfect themselves in their studies.

At the present moment schools and colleges are being established in every province of our Empire and it has therefore become necessary to create a Department in the Government which shall be at the head of them for the better purpose of perfect control.

We therefore hereby command that a Ministry for Board of Education (Hsiang-pu) be created forthwith and that Yung Ching, Assistant Grand Secretary and Chancellor of the Hanlin Academy, be appointed President of the new Ministry.

We further command that the duties and administrative work of the Imperial Academy (Kuo-tse-chen) be amalgamated with the new Ministry. The newly appointed President of the Ministry of Education is also commanded to confer with his colleagues as to whatever shall be further needed for the completion of the rights and duties of the Ministry, that have not been touched upon in this decree, and to report to us.

With the inauguration of this new Department of the Government the members thereof have the very important and serious duty of specially seeing to the encouragement and nurture of education throughout the Empire, and we would therefore exhort their best efforts to do their duty in furthering this matter, which shall lead to the enlightenment and civilisation of the people and the establishment of universal education throughout the country.

WESLEYAN METHODIST CHURCH.

The Foreign Missionary Anniversary.

On Sunday and Monday the Wesleyans held their Foreign Missionary Anniversary. The Sunday congregations were large and enthusiastic. The Rev. S. G. Topp preached in the morning. The sermon was essentially Missionary. It was an exposition of Peter's first sermon to the Gentiles, and the reception which the preacher met with on his return to Jerusalem. Mr. Topp emphasised that the report which the apostle brought back with him, with which he defended his strange action, was one of facts, and that these could not be gainsaid by any at-home section of the church. This he pointed out that after all the statistics were not especially overwhelming, for they contained but a statement of the conversion of the single sinner, and these foreigners, Italian, and the like, were sufficient to lead the more enlightened to "glorify God." It was an able sermon.

Mr. Bone preached at night, and from the words of St. Paul, delineated the apostle's conception of an ideal Missionary. Then he showed from the life of the apostle as well as from his own life that even an ideal Missionary must suffer such things. This gave the preacher an opportunity of pointing out that down through the ages, both in far off as well as in modern days, ideal Missionaries, such as William Paterson, Hanningham, and others have suffered such things, and these things are among the probabilities of those things which will be encountered by those who undertake this task. The cause therefore must be sought in forces which lie deeply hidden in the human heart, and are not confined to any one place, tribe, or time. The preacher closed with a reference to the book of St. Paul's "Nevertheless I am not ashamed." Whilst one would not hold a brief for any particular workmen, nor defend every individual action, yet if sufferings must follow, the preacher an opportunity of pointing out that down through the ages, both in far off as well as in modern days, ideal Missionaries, such as William Paterson, Hanningham, and others have suffered such things, and these things are among the probabilities of those things which will be encountered by those who undertake this task.

The annual meeting, which was held on Monday evening was well attended, and there was a good deal of genuine enthusiasm. Mr. G. E. Woodward presided, and gave, from the first, a right tone to the meeting, singing both by the choir and the Sunday School, and the singing was much appreciated. Mrs. Macdonald told many things of the inner life of the Chinese, of the trials and tribulations of the Chinese in the Far East, and the revelations of the life they live moved the audience as perhaps nothing else could do.

Mr. Topp followed, and told of what he knew of mission work, and his many encouragements. It may be affirmed that if more really knew what is being done, and the inner side of Christ's effort, there would be less criticism and more willingness to help the work along. The tea was very largely attended, and everybody seemed to enjoy the general feeling of good fellowship which often results from such gatherings.

WEATHER REPORT.

The following notice is issued by Mr. Figg of the Hongkong Observatory:— On the 12th at 12 10 p.m. The barometer has fallen rapidly over Japan owing to the depression which is now moving into the Pacific to the east of Japan. The anticyclone, central to the North of the Yangtze, now covers China and a considerable increase of pressure has taken place along the coast.

Very strong monsoon prevails and gales are likely to continue in the Formosa Channel and the N. part of the China Sea. Forecast:—Fresh N. to N.E. winds (dull at first, improving later).

BY WHARF AND WAVE.

An inquiry was held at the Marine Magistrate's Court today, by the Hon. Captain Burnes Lawrence, into the circumstances surrounding a collision which took place on November 15 between the steam launch "K 10" and a steam pinnace from H.M.S. "Hecate." Evidence was given showing that the pinnace was going along side of H.M.S. "Erna" at the time and when about 700 yards from her port quarter the "K 10" came up the "Hecate" and struck the pinnace. The pinnace was put astern and from the way the launch's helm was altered the collision concluded she was going between the ship and the pinnace. He then went ahead again and the "K 10" struck the pinnace about the port beam. The certificate of the launch's commandant was ordered to be suspended for four weeks.

The G. N. S. N. Co's. a.s. "Minnesota."

Some idea of the freight carried and the weather experienced by the "Minnesota" (Capt. J. H. Rinder) during her last run to Hongkong may be gained from the following report. The passengers speak most highly of the "immovable democracy" of the Leviathan ship and of the well-known courtesy and attention of Captain Rinder and his officers. The report which is an follow speaks for itself as to bulk and freight.

The a.s. "Minnesota" which arrived yesterday, left Seattle on Nov. 6, having on board 701 st. Cabins, 13 European Steerage, and 150 Asiatic Steerage passengers and 23,000 tons of cargo, consisting of locomotives, railroad cars, bridge iron, machinery, electrical supplies, copper, pig lead, sheathing, cotton, wood pulp, cases of oranges, wheat and flour. On the night of Nov. 9 she encountered a gale of wind, with tremendous head seas and violent squalls, shipping large quantities of water. The weather moderated next day. On Nov. 14 she encountered a moderate gale from N.W. which shifted to the N.W. and blew a strong gale, with frequent violent squalls. Gale and sea moderated next day, then moderate to strong westerly breeze were experienced to November 21 when the "Minnesota" encountered a fresh gale from the N.W., which, however, moderated by evening. The steamer arrived at Yokohama on November 23 and discharged 5000 tons of cargo, machinery, cotton, cars, etc. One hundred Russians for Shanghai, were taken on board and the ship left Yokohama on November 24 and arrived at Kobe on November 25. She discharged 6000 tons of cargo—locomotives, cars, machinery, lead, cotton, electrical supplies, and flour. She left Kobe on December 4 and arrived at Nagasaki and discharged 1000 tons of cargo and took aboard 2500 tons of coal, leaving the same day. Shanghai was reached on December 7 where she discharged 6000 tons of cargo—locomotives, news paper, milk, copper, and flour—and left Shanghai on December 8. Upon arrival at Hongkong yesterday she had 5000 tons of cargo, principally flour, on board. The total flour on board was 320,000 bags.

Transports in Collision.

The transport "Ikuta-maru No. 3," which left Moji on Nov. 25, came into collision near Matsue with the transport "Fukura-maru" bringing troops from Taiwan (Dahly). The Japan Chronicle reports that "Ikuta" sank in three minutes. Fifty-four out of a crew of 68 were saved, while 2 soldiers are among the drowned. The "Ikuta" left Japan on Friday afternoon for Taiwan carrying clothes, provisions and a general cargo. She had on board 7 petty officers, 18 privates, and 9 cadets. The "Fukura-maru" carried 1,290 officers and men and 63 horses from other of Matsue, and the "Ikuta" endeavored to pass to starboard, but failed, and the two vessels came into collision, with the result mentioned. The bow of the "Fukura" rammed the "Ikuta" amidships. The "Ikuta" did not lose a moment in lowering the boats to save the passengers and crew of the "Ikuta," who were soon struggling in the water. Those saved were brought to Moji, and about ten are injured. The "Fukura" sustained serious damage at the bow, but above water. The "Ikuta" was owned by the Ikuta Company of Kobe, and was a vessel of 2,043 tons. It is stated that the "Ikuta" is lying at the bottom about three cables to the west of Takamokojima light, and in the track of steamers. Her position is considered to be a great danger to navigation.

Japan's Maritime Marine Subsidies.

The estimate for the next fiscal year of the subsidies to be granted the merchant marine of Japan, &c., is reported to have been fixed at Yen 5,470,000, which is slightly more than the subsidies granted before the war, reports the Japan Chronicle. These steamship companies, including the Nippon Yusen Kaisha and Osaka Shosen Kaisha, under special Government contracts, received Yen 1,194,000, the sum of Yen 2,214,000 is appropriated for use in connection with the steam navigation and shipbuilding encouragement bounty. The Government will also grant Yen 1,500,000 for the Shipwreck Relief Society, and the training of seamen, and Yen 1,500,000 for the Japan Steamship Company. The subsidies to the lines of steamers running to European ports, Seattle, San Francisco, Yantze, Shanghai, Suowu, and Hongkong will be continued as their contracts are still running, but the subsidy paid to the "Sagami" service of the Y. K. will be discontinued next year. Certain changes will be made in the subsidies granted to the Australian service and coasting services. Services to Taiwan and Korean ports will be among the new subsidised lines, and navigation to North China ports will be increased. The amount of subsidy required for these extensions is estimated at yen 300,000.

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VICTORIA AMATEUR DRAMATIC CLUB.

THE MEMBERS of the above Club will give their first performance in the Theatre of St. PATRICK'S CLUB, GARDEN ROAD (near the Tram Station), TO-NIGHT (TUESDAY), 12th DECEMBER, 1905.

When Boucicault's Famous Irish Drama "THE SHAGBURN" will be presented.

Doors open at 8 p.m. Commence at 8.30 p.m. sharp. Chairs may be ordered for 11.30 p.m.

PRICES: Reserved Seats, \$2; Unreserved \$1. Soldiers & Sailors in Uniform Half Price.

Seats may be booked at the ROBINSON PIANO CO., LTD., where plan iron view.

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HONGKONG GYMKHANA CLUB.

A MEETING of MEMBERS will be held at the Office of Messrs Gias, BUILDING on WEDNESDAY, 13th inst., at 5.15 p.m.

Business—To pass Accounts, &c. C. G. MACKIE, Hon. Secretary & Treasurer.

Hongkong, December 12, 1905. 2301

WANTED AT ONCE.

AN ASSISTANT BOOK-KEEPER—(European preferred).

Apply: Care of "CHINA MAIL" Office, Hongkong, December 11, 1905. 2304

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on

MONDAY and TUESDAY, the 18th & 19th December, 1905, at 10 A.M., each day, as H. M. NAVAL YARD, SUNDAY NAVAL VICTUALLING, OBSOLETE and CONDEMNED STORES,

Comprising: TURBINES, REFRIGERATING MACHINES, BOAT ENGINES and BOILERS, CHAIN LARS and GRAB, ELECTRIC CABLE, STEEL WIRE, HAWKERS, OLD BRASS and IRON, LEAD PIPES, PARABOLIC, CANNAS, PEACHES, CLOTHING MATERIALS and WATER CLOTHING (in good condition).

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Hongkong, December 12, 1905. 2302

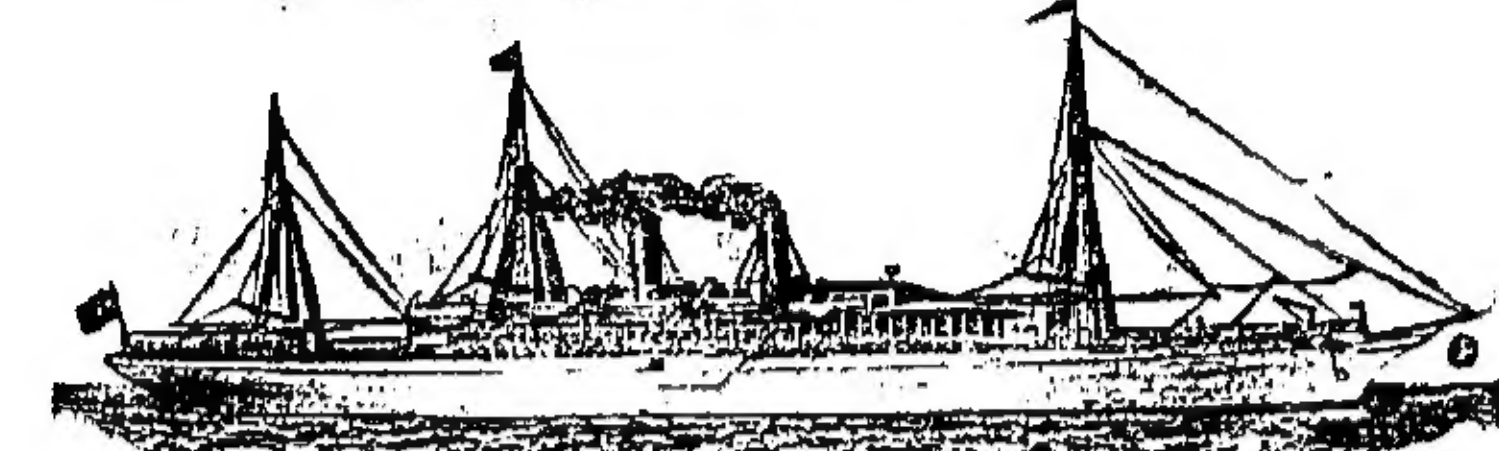
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Shipping.

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP
NAVIGATION COMPANY

WILL dispatch VESSELS to the Undermentioned PORTS on the DATE
named—
FOR STEAMERS TO SAIL ON REMARKS.
YOKOHAMA, via SHANGHAI, PALAWAN, Daylight, 18th Freight and
MOJI and KOBE, A. F. STREET, December, Passage.
LONDON & ANTWERP, via PALERMO, Afternoon, Freight only.
SVOBIE, PAGO, CUBO, PORT E. G. ARDEN, Dec. 16th.
SAID, MANABILLAS & BANGALONA, About 16th Freight and
SHANGHAI, DELTA, C. L. DANIEL, December, Passage.
LONDON, &c., SIMLA, C. L. DANIEL, December, See Special
K. A. HEWETT, representative.

F. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office,
Hongkong, December 12, 1905.

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ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.

LUXURY SPEED-PUNCTUALITY.
The only Line that maintains a Regular Schedule Service of 12 Days across the Pacific to the EMERALD LINE. 3 to 7 Days Ocean Travel to DAYS YOKOHAMA to VANCOUVER. 91 DAYS HONGKONG to VANCOUVER.

Proposed Sailing—
(Subject to Alteration).
R.M.S. EMERALD, 8000 Tons, Wednesday, Dec. 13, Jan. 3.
R.M.S. EMERALD, 8000 Tons, Wednesday, Jan. 10, Jan. 31.
R.M.S. EMERALD, 8000 Tons, Wednesday, Jan. 17, Feb. 17.
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R.M.S. TARTAR and ATLANTIC carry INTERMEDIATE Passengers only. Intermediate rates, affording superior accommodation for that class. Passengers booked through to all principal points and AROUND THE WORLD. SPECIAL RATES (first class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Navy, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of China and Japan Governments.
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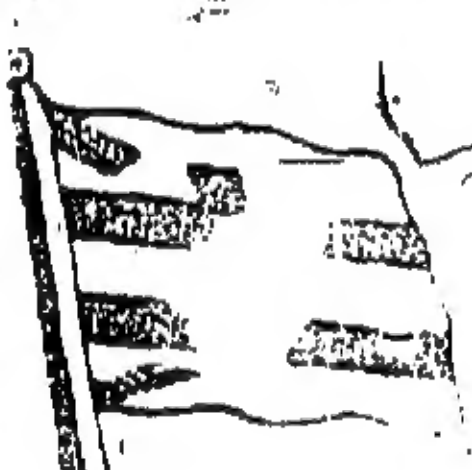
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These Steamers have superior Accommodation for First-class Passengers, and are fitted throughout with Electric Light.
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THE CHARTERED S.S. FRITHJOF, Capt. E. HANSEN, Leaving
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This Steamer has Superior Accommodation for First-class Passengers, and is fitted throughout with Electric Light.
Taking Cargo on Through Bills of Lading to all Yangtze & Northern China Ports.
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T. ARIMA, Manager.

NORTHERN PACIFIC LINE.

BOSTON STEAMSHIP CO. BOSTON TOWBOAT CO.

CONNECTING AT TACOMA WITH

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG TO

VICTORIA B.C. AND TACOMA

VIA

MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

Steamers	Tons	Captains	To Sail
LYRA	4117	O. V. Williams	About Dec. 27.
PLEIADES	5783	E. G. Purington	To follow.
SHAMMOX	9806	E. V. Roberts	To follow.

Cargo only.

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PARCEL EXPRESS TO THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA
For further information, Apply to
Dodwell & Co., Limited,
General Agents,
HONGKONG BUILDINGS,
Hongkong, December 11, 1905.

Shipping.

OCEAN STEAM SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED,
AND
CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LIMITED.

JOINT SERVICES.

FORTNIGHTLY SAILINGS FOR LONDON AND CONTINENT.
MONTHLY SAILINGS FOR LIVERPOOL.

TAKING CARGO ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR ALL
EUROPEAN, NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICAN, WEST
AFRICAN, JAPAN, AND SUMATRA PORTS.

EUROPEAN SERVICE.

FROM	STEAMER	DATE
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	STYER	18th December.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	KANON	20th "
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	TELEMACUS	22nd "
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	PERSEUS	2nd January.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	PAL LING	2nd "
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	SANT RED	2nd "
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	LABOULET	9th "

HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMER	DATE
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	HECTOR	10th December.
GRANOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL	GLADYS	20th "
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	Typhers	2nd January.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	Idemagus	16th "

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

THE NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.
TAKING CARGO ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING TO ALL
AMERICAN PORTS IN THE UNITED STATES OF
AMERICA AND CANADA.

EASTWARD.

FROM	STEAMER	DATE
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and	Typhers	1st January.
TACOMA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and	Typhers	1st January.

WESTWARD.

FROM	STEAMER	DATE
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and	Typhers	1st January.
TACOMA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and	Typhers	1st January.

Hongkong, December 9, 1905.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
AGENTS.

Hongkong, December 11, 1905.

HONGKONG-MANILA.

FROM	STEAMER	DATE
MANILA	STYER	12th December.
SHANGHAI	KANON	12th December.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	TELEMACUS	14th December.
PANAMA, PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOROTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBORNE	PERSEUS	27th December.
CERO & JILO	SUNSHINE	28th December.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior accommodation afforded by these Steamers, which are fitted throughout with Electric Light. Unrivalled Table. A duly qualified Surgeon is carried.
Taking Cargo on through bills of lading to all Yangtze & Northern China Ports.
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N.B.—REDUCED SALOON FARES, Single and Return, to Manila and Australian Ports.
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CHINA AND MANILA
STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

Steamship	Tons	Captains	For	Sailing Dates
ZAFIRO	2540	R. Rodger	Manila, via Amoy	Dec. 15, at 11 a.m.
RUBI	2540	R. Ahmed	Manila	Dec. 23, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
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Hongkong, December 11, 1905.

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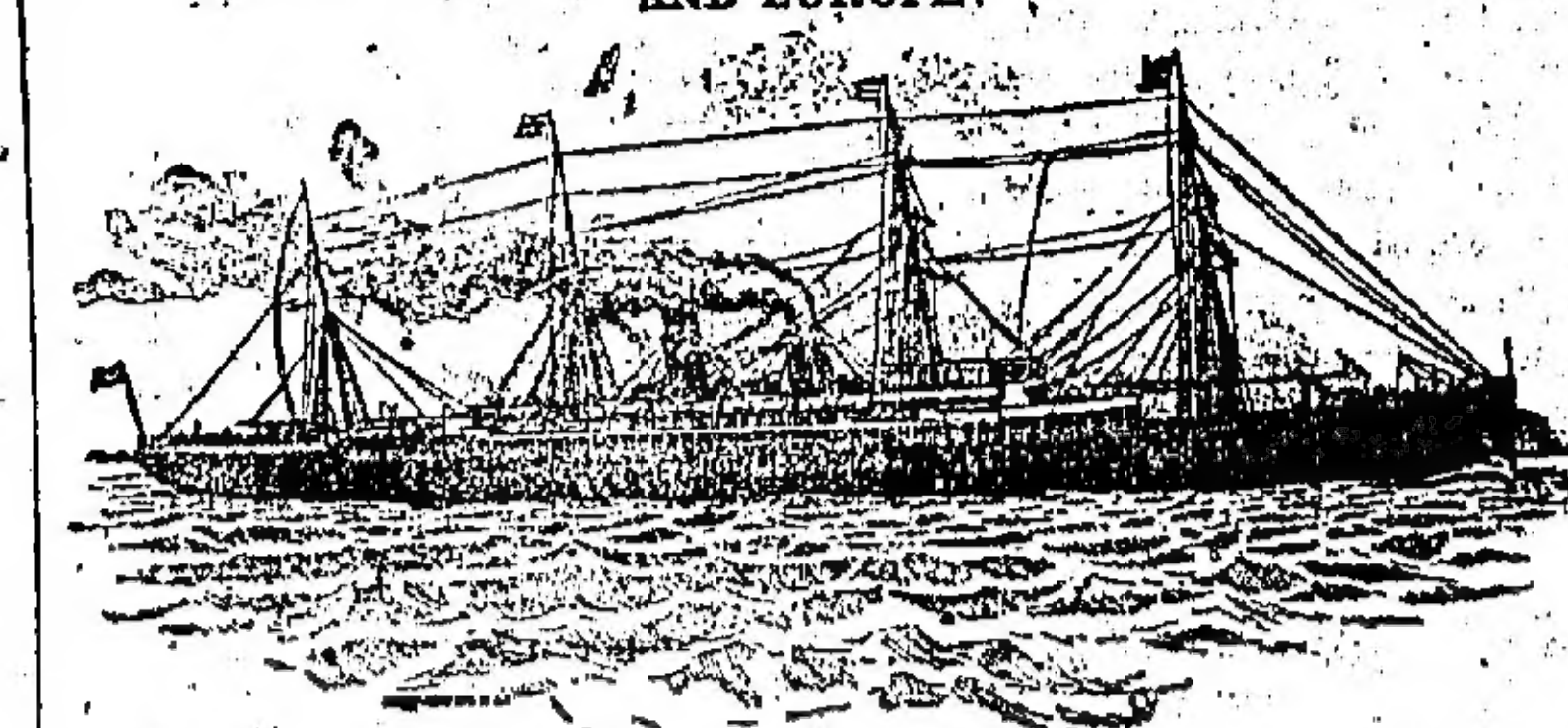
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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

STEAMER	DATE	TIME
SIBERIA	18th Dec.	at Noon.
MONSIEUR	27th Dec.	at Noon.
ORIN	5th Jan.	at Noon.
DORIC	19th Jan.	at Noon.
MANCHURIA	26th Jan.	at Noon.
KOREA	6th Feb.	at Noon.
COPTIC	16th Feb.	at Noon.

RECORD FAST TRIPS.

Yokohama to San Francisco, via KOREA, 18,000 tons, September 18-27th 1905; 10 days, 11 hours and 5 minutes.
San Francisco to Honolulu, via SIBERIA, 18,000 tons, August 16th-20th, 1905; 4 days, 9 hours.
San Francisco to Yokohama, via SIBERIA, calling at Midway Islands and Honolulu en route, August 16th-31st, 1905, 13 days, 18 hours.
Yokohama to San Francisco, via SIBERIA, 18,000 tons, Oct. 12th to 23rd, 1905; 10 days, 10 hours and 29 minutes.

THE P. M. Steamship SIBERIA will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, (INLAND SEA OF JAPAN), KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on FRIDAY, the 15th December, at Noon, taking cargo for Japan & the United States.

SPECIAL RATES (first class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of China and Japan Governments.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railway, to Havana, Trinidad, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, QUEEN'S BUILDINGS.

QUEEN'S BUILDINGS,
Hongkong, December 7, 1905.

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HONGKONG, 12th December, 1905.

